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DRY KILN BURNS AT VENEER PLANT

Originates in Engine House
From Unknown Cause.

Fire Department Meets With Stubborn Resistance But Conquers the Flames.

LOSS WILL BE ABOUT \$5,000

Fire broke out again this morning at 11 o'clock in the plant of the Paducah Veneer and Lumber company in Mechanicsburg, and for the second time in the last few weeks, wind saved a great property loss. The Paducah Veneer and Lumber company is the last mill in Mechanicsburg on Mill street and the strong north wind kept the flames and sparks in the opposite direction to the other mills.

The loss will be between \$5,000 and \$7,000, covered by insurance. The fire started in the engine house on the north side of the dry kiln and the wind carried the flames to the dry kiln, which was completely destroyed. That the dry kiln burned so quickly was due to the fact that the engine in the engine house could not be reached to stop the machinery in the dry kiln.

A peculiar system of mechanism in the dry kiln spread the flames in the briefest time all over the building. The hot air to dry the veneering is piped into the building at one end and is there turned loose. To distribute it equally over the building, there is a large fan which forces the hot air through passages running through the building. When the fire started, the fan distributed the flames into every part of the building in a short time.

High pressure on the hose by the engine from company No. 4, caused it to break and stop the flow of water for several minutes, but the break occurred after the fire was in control. Company No. 2 arrived at the fire but had no hose. Company No. 3, was called to the McKinzie mill again this morning, to put out a fire in the weeds, which started from sparks from the smoldering sawdust heaps. All its hose was in use there when the alarm came for the second fire. Company No. 4 arrived in a short time and later company No. 1 from central station.

It was a nasty and stubborn fire to fight and Chief Wood believes that the wind prevented one of the most disastrous fires in the history of the city. The woods near the mill caught on fire but did not burn to any extent. The fire got a strong hold in the stacks of veneering in the dry kiln and it required a hard fight to suppress it there.

The break in the hose at the engine partly was due to the vibration of the hose on the gravel which wore the hose thin.

There was no fire in the engine house as the furnace was in another part of the plant, and the origin of the fire is unknown.

HEARST CANDIDATE IS OUSTED.

Nominee for Governor Removed from Office at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Oct. 27.—District Attorney William H. Langdon, Hearst League candidate for governor, was removed from office by Acting Mayor Gallagher today, his action being sustained by the board of supervisors. Langdon is charged by the acting mayor with neglecting the duties of his office in campaigning for the governorship. Abraham Ruef, the power behind the throne in administration circles and known as the municipal boss, was appointed Langdon's successor.

RAID ON CUSTOM HOUSE.

Revolutionists Kill Ten and Get 380,000 Roubles.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 27.—In a bold raid on the custom house today, in which they employed a bomb to assist in wrecking the place, revolutionists made away with 380,000 roubles. A bomb was thrown at the cashier. He escaped but in the confusion the robbers got away with the money. Ten persons were mortally wounded by the explosion.

ARMS RETAKEN BY WORKMEN

Russian Gendarmes Who Seized Shipment Put to Rout.

Tashkent, Asiatic, Russia, Oct. 27.—A detachment of gendarmes, who yesterday seized a shipment of 238 revolvers and 16,000 cartridges destined for the revolutionists, were later attacked and defeated by an armed party of workmen, who carried off the greater part of the revolvers and 8,000 cartridges.

RIFLE SHOOTING IN SCHOOLS

British Education Board to Provide Ranges for Scholars.

London, Oct. 27.—Rifle shooting will hereafter be included in the curriculum of the elementary schools of this country. Mr. Birrell, the president of the board of education, made the announcement in the house of commons today that under certain restrictions children would be taught to shoot at miniature ranges. The crucial test of the education bill was reached today when the measure came before the house of lords for detailed debate. The main issue centers on the clauses relating to religious instruction. The general belief is that the controversy will ultimately end in a compromise. The debate is expected to last three weeks.

SCHOOL

IS NEEDED IN ROWLANDTOWN, SAYS SUPERINTENDENT.

Enough Children Not Attending to Fill a Building of Ordinary Size.

Superintendent C. M. Lieb, of the city schools, will urge that the school board take immediate action in starting the work on the Rowlandtown school. He has been working for this school for two years and declared many pupils remained out on account of the great distance they have to go to reach the nearest school.

"We are crowded in the schools as we have never been before," Supt. Lieb stated. "During the last week I have had many pupils enter. This is unusual for this time of the year, and few are stopping. In Rowlandtown there are enough children not attending to fill a building."

Hard on Ice Men. Toledo, O., Oct. 27.—The circuit court today handed down a decision in which it sustained Judge Kinkaid in sentencing the ice men to jail. The men were arrested and tried on a charge that they had formed a trust and violated the Valentine anti-trust law by combining to raise the price of ice in this city.

PREVENT

TUBERCULOSIS, SAYS DR. R. P. RAVENEL, OF PHILADELPHIA.

Charges That Hopeless Theory of Heredity Does More Harm Than Any Other Factor.

Syracuse, N. Y., Oct. 27.—Dr. R. P. Ravenel, assistant doctor of the Henry Phipps institute, for the study of tuberculosis, at Philadelphia, made some interesting statements yesterday in an address on "Heredity, Portals of Entry of Infection and Immunity in Tuberculosis." Dr. Ravenel said it was reasonable to expect that in the near future persons would be vaccinated to make them immune from tuberculosis.

He said that nothing had done more harm in the effort to prevent tuberculosis than the belief by many that it is in the family and there is no use to fight against it. The speaker stated that 90 per cent. of all persons upon whom postmortem examinations have been made have scars on their lungs where tuberculosis had been healed.

CORTELYOU

Will Resign From the National Chairmanship.

Washington, Oct. 27.—Postmaster General Cortelyou will retire from the chairmanship of the Republican national committee before he becomes secretary of the treasury in succession to Shaw. This statement was made today on excellent authority. Harry S. New, vice chairman of the Republican committee will, it is expected, assume the duties of chairman when Cortelyou retires.

Roosevelt's Birthday Party.

Washington, Oct. 27.—President Roosevelt's birthday was properly observed today by a visit from the Hungarian Republican club of New York. Short speeches were made by the president of the club and President Roosevelt.

It is the daily average circulation of a newspaper that the shrewd advertiser investigates—

"High Water" days don't count. The Sun's daily average last month was 5936.

MURDER PRECEDES FIRE IN TENEMENT

Mexicans And Negroes Roasted Alive In Home.

Negro Tells of Fight Among Others and Body With Knife Wound Is Found.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FIRE.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 27.—Fire which destroyed a two-story frame tenement occupied by negroes and Mexicans, today caused seven deaths. One body was recovered. The police say there at least six bodies in the ruins.

Vincenta Seyma, a Mexican laborer, was burned to death and two other Mexicans are believed to be dead, in the fire which destroyed the tenement building today. Twenty-eight negroes and Mexicans occupied the structure. Murder is supposed to have preceded the fire. Seyma's body shows what appears to be knife cuts, his heart being exposed. A negro informed the police of a Mexican fight during the night.

Three More Bodies.

Kansas City, Kan., Oct. 27.—Three more bodies were recovered today from the ruins of the Chamber of Commerce building fire. This makes nine bodies recovered, not including a heart and a detached foot which have been found.

Oldest Gypsy Dies. Mrs. Louisa Smith, the oldest gypsy in America, died in a camp near Freehold, N. J. She was 101 years, two months and twelve days old.

PROSPECTS

OF PADUCAH COMMERCIAL BEST HE HAS OBSERVED.

Statement of W. L. Crandall, Whose Business It Is to Observe Things.

W. L. Crandall, of the editorial staff of "Municipal Engineering," a publication of Indianapolis, Ind., has been in the city two days looking over the city with the view of writing an article on the city and its prospects. Mr. Crandall is well-known to Mayor Yeiser and Auditor Kirkland through correspondence, but this is his first visit to the city.

Mr. Crandall is on a tour of 50 of the principal cities in the United States at the end of which he will write a series of practical handbooks on municipal problems in this country. He was enthusiastic over the future of Paducah as a city. "This city strikes me as having the best commercial prospects of any city of its size I have visited," he said, carefully weighing his words.

NEW SAND COMPANY.

Capt. Waggoner and Charles Robertson Promoters.

Paducah is to have a new sand and gravel company with an equipment valued at \$10,000. Charles L. Robertson, the street contractor, and Capt. Frank Waggoner, owner of the ill-fated Charleston, are the promoters. Capt. Waggoner returned from Greenville, Miss., this morning after buying a sea-going tug and four deck barges 120 by 20 feet in dimensions with five port holds. The equipment is enroute here now. The gentlemen will have a 10-inch sand and gravel pump and will be the second sand and gravel company here.

BUY BAD MEAT IN ARGENTINA

Britons Find Most of Seized Product Came From South America.

London, Oct. 27.—Replying to a question in the house of commons today, President of the Local Government Board John Burns said that of 418 tons of meat seized and condemned at the Smithfield meat market, London, between July 19 and September 13, 24 tons came from the United States and about 232 tons from Argentina. Mr. Burns said he hoped the government's proposed legislation would prevent the possibility of the recurrence of such a state of affairs as the question revealed.

Infant Dies. The three-months-old son of W. C. Fiser, of Sharpe, Marshall county, died today of stomach trouble and will be buried tomorrow at Sharpe.

SCISSORS WEAPON OF SUICIDE.

Woman While Delirious Cuts Throat and Death Results.

Cincinnati, Oct. 27.—Delirious from long illness and nervous shock, Miss Grace Friedman, aged 35, a school teacher of New Richmond, O., thrust a pair of scissors into her throat at the Good Samaritan hospital, tearing a jagged wound in her windpipe, which resulted in her death today. Miss Friedman came to Cincinnati to receive treatment for a nervous complaint. She stabbed herself last week. The wound did not heal. It made her condition worse and pneumonia developed. She could not endure the strain and the end came this afternoon.

NEW STRUCTURE BY THE KENTUCKY

Commercial Club To Have Its Home On North Fifth.

Palmer Hotel Company Will Build on South Side of the Theater Entrance.

TO BE FINISHED BY JANUARY

Plans for a structure to adorn the vacant space on the south side of the entrance to the Kentucky theater, it is said, are nearing completion, and this fall a building will be erected for the accommodation of the Paducah Commercial club, by the Palmer Hotel company.

The lease of the Commercial club on its building on South Fourth street, expires with this month and the organization must seek new quarters. Temporarily the club will be located in the traction company's building on Broadway, but the officers expect to get in the new building on Fifth street by January.

The erection of a building at that point will greatly improve the appearance of that block. The hotel company tore away the frame cottage beside the theater, and it has been the purpose at some future time to extend the hotel back on Fifth street, running over the theater entrance. For this reason no permanent plans have been made for building at that point.

Stockholders of the hotel company, however, have been talking of putting up an ornamental, but temporary office building on the south side next to the alley, and the needs of the Commercial club and this plan have worked out together. The only thing that has deferred the work has been the pressing necessity of hurrying the hotel improvements.

With the Palmer House improved the stone custom house, the new Elks building, and the Commercial club building, and the Fraternity building showing in the green court between the custom house and the Elks' home, Fifth street between Broadway and Jefferson street is to be attractive to the eye.

HEARST CANDIDATES.

Ruled Off by Decision of New York Court.

New York, Oct. 27.—While the gubernatorial candidates of both parties were campaigning upstate today there was no dearth of political interest in this city where the court decision practically wiped out the local, congressional, senatorial and assembly tickets of the Independence League. Reversing the ruling of the board of elections the appellate division of the supreme court declared that the many nominating petitions filed by the league to have been improperly made in that they were intended to nominate candidates who were to run in overlapping or extended districts. While today's decision directly effects the local ticket only, some concern was expressed tonight regarding its possible effects up state in places.

FREES CONVICT TO HUSK CORN.

Farm Hands So Scarce in Nebraska That Felons Are Paroled.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 27.—So strong has become the demand for corn huskers in Nebraska that petitions are beginning to reach Gov. Mickey for the parole of convicts that they may help with the harvest. Favorable action was taken today on one such application. Rollin Rivers, a negro sentenced to three years for burglary, was paroled to a farmer for whom he once worked. Gov. Mickey said there would be no wholesale paroling.

Bacon for France. Robert Bacon, assistant secretary of state, is slated for the position of ambassador to France, according to a report current in Washington.

HORSE AND BUGGY LEFT IN STREET

While Crutchfield Slept On A Pile of Coal.

Discovered There by Miss Bryant and Taken in Charge by Police Today.

RIG BELONGS TO TERRELL

When a member of James Bryant's family, residing at Eighth and Bachman streets, went out to secure a bucket of coal this morning she was startled to find a negro calmly enjoying a sleep. He was lodged high on a pile of coal and although his position was anything but comfortable, did not seem to be affected by his hard bed.

James Collins, chief of police, instructed Patrolmen Clark and Ferguson to investigate and they found the negro to be Leroy Crutchfield, of Paris, Tenn. At the station he was identified as one who took a horse and buggy from the Terrell stables last night, and the horse and vehicle were located a short distance from Crutchfield's lodging place, where the rig had evidently been left when the negro got sleepy.

James Thompson, of the livery company, appeared and demanded of the negro why he took the horse. The negro declared he could not tell. When arrested he seemed to still be dazed as if suffering from a prolonged "coke" jag.

No warrant will be sworn out against him for horse stealing.

Leroy had been employed at the Terrell stables until discharged yesterday morning.

GAME WARDEN

T. J. MOORE IS APPOINTED BY COUNTY JUDGE.

Will Prosecute Sportsmen, Who Shoot Game Unlawfully and Be Paid in Fees.

T. J. Moore this morning was appointed game warden by County Judge R. T. Lightfoot and will go after hunters who are said to be shooting quail out of season. The office pays in fees for conviction of sportsmen who are arrested.

GEORGE R. KNOX DEAD. He Was the Oldest General Freight Agent in Point of Service.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 27.—George R. Knox, general freight agent of the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad, died here yesterday after an extended illness. Mr. Knox was 62 years old, and it is said was the oldest general freight agent in point of service in the United States. He entered the service of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad in 1860, and became general freight agent in 1876.

The downtown office of the railroad is closed today and draped in mourning.

C. G. GATES KILLS A GRIZZLY.

Big Bear Worsted in Fight After It Slays Four Dogs.

Denver, Oct. 27.—Charles G. Gates has killed a grizzly bear, according to a telegram from Maher, Col. The bear weighs about 1,700 pounds, and old-time hunters assert that it is as big as grizzlies grow. Four dogs were killed and one so badly wounded that he had to be shot. The battle took place in the foothills near Cathedral Peak. The bear was killed jointly by Gates and his brother-in-law, Melville Martin.

LESE MAJESTY IN MILWAUKEE.

"Hurrah for Rose" Grates on the Ears of Mayor Becker.

Milwaukee, Oct. 27.—Mayor Becker thinks he has a case of lese majesty on his hands. The other evening when the mayor and Mrs. Becker were getting into their auto at a theater the mayor says some one in the crowd shouted "Hurrah for Rose," following it with a volley of oaths directed at him. He called the policeman on duty to find the offender, but he failed to locate him. Now the mayor has asked Chief Janssen to see that himself and family are hereafter protected from insult.

If we could only see ourselves as others see us—but we can't so there's no use worrying about it.

DITHRIDGE SOLD

To the Baltimore Club of the Eastern League by Cairo.

Cairo, Ill., Oct. 27.—That the sale of shortstop Will Dithridge, of Cairo, to the Baltimore club of the Eastern league is something more than superheated atmosphere, was attested yesterday when a draft for \$200 for the release of the player was received by Manager G. P. Eichenberger. This money will be divided among the six Cairo men who carried on the club from July 5 to the close of the season, as will also all money received from the sale of the other players. There is a strong probability that four more players besides Dithridge will be drafted before January 15, 1907, when the drafting season closes for all classes.

JONES WINS

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS CONTROL OF MARKET HOUSE.

Frame Structure in Building Is Not Affected by the Fire Limit Ordinance.

After withholding his decision for several days, Police Judge E. H. Puryear decided the case against Arthur Jones charged with a breach of ordinance, in favor of Jones.

Jones applied to the board of public works, controlling the market house, for a bench on the market. He was permitted to erect a wooden casing about it. Fire Chief Wood swore out a warrant against Jones for erecting a wooden structure within the fire limits. Judge Puryear held that, notwithstanding the city ordinance, the board of public works has full and complete control of the market house and did not err in giving the man permission to enclose the bench.

Reprieve Is Granted.

Washington, Oct. 27.—President Roosevelt today granted a reprieve until December 15, to Arthur Adams and Robert Sawyer, negroes under sentence to be hanged in North Carolina November 1, on the charge of murdering officers of the ship Berwin on the high seas.

PEANUTS

PROVE UNDOING OF SCHOOL BOYS IN YARDS.

Are Captured by Policeman Tolbert and Given a Thorough Scare By Official.

A large sack of peanuts lying beside a half loaded freight car in the Illinois Central shop yards proved too tempting to two boys on their way to school. When they seized upon it and filled two large flour sacks full of its contents, they were promptly captured by the ever watchful special policeman, Dick Tolbert. This proved the beginning of a complication in which several attorneys, the juvenile judge and school officials, with the boys and special policeman were the principals.

The special officer has to keep a vigilant watch during the hours when pupils go to and from school. He desired to frighten the boys if prosecution in the juvenile court was impossible.

The boys were badly frightened when an official telephoned attorneys and engaged in an animated conversation with them. They promised to keep out of the railroad yards and to "never do it again."

READJUSTMENT OF EUROPE.

England, France and Italy to Be Aligned in Future.

London, Oct. 27.—Europe will be readjusted to a new alignment of powers and will be affected materially by changing the balance of power, which was greatly affected by the paralysis of Russia as a result of the Russo-Japanese war. In the future England, France and Italy will be bound together in an offensive alliance, and in the making over of Europe in the political sense, necessitated, Germany is expected to view this move unfavorably. But as the alliance is intended as a peace guaranty it is hardly believed the Kaiser will remain inactive.

WEATHER—Partly cloudy to night and Sunday. Decidedly colder tonight. High winds. The highest temperature reached yesterday was 77 and the lowest today was 53.

BANK CLEARINGS SHOW INCREASE

Last Year Suffered Depression From Quarantine.

Big Grain Elevator and Paducah Saddle Company Increase Features.

BRADSTREET MAKES ESTIMATE.

Bank clearings \$458,862
Same week last year 648,472
Increase 10,390

The increase in clearings this week over the same week last year is not significant. While more business undoubtedly is being done now, business at this time last year was rebounding sharply from the quarantine depression.

The only event of the week in the business world is the announcement that the N. C. & St. L. railroad would build a large grain elevator. Also the announcement of the increase of capital stock of the Paducah Saddle company from \$25,000 to \$37,500. There seems to be no decrease in the movements of wholesale goods out of the city.

The Paducah Traction company has received a franchise to build within a year, a new line through a part of the city heretofore not served. The completion of this line will increase the efficiency of the whole system.

Bradstreet's Report.

New York, Oct. 27.—Bradstreet's weekly trade and business report follows:

Trade is unprecedentedly active for the season. Retail trade has broadened out with consequent increase of record demand from jobbers and there is rather more doing on spring account. Reports from the leading industries are of unabated activity. Higher premiums are being paid for the little spot iron that can be obtained; rails are more active and imports of foreign pig iron are increasing.

The price situation is one of exceptional strength. Grain prices are very steady. While cotton has eased on a larger movement and rather bearish spinning reports, other staples are strong at about the highest levels of the year. Refined copper has advanced to 22½ points but little new business is doing owing to the scarcity of the supplies. In cotton goods, the feeling is one of steadiness. Print cloths are ¼c higher, and quotations for many makes of bleached goods, brown cottons, muslins and similar fabrics have hardened. Wool has seen the most active dealings and higher prices have been generally accepted.

Wheat, including flour exports, for the week were 5,189,000 bushels against 4,267,000 bushels this week a year ago. For the past 17 weeks of the fiscal year 58,174,000 bushels against 26,912,000 bushels in 1905. Corn exports for the week 1,169,000 bushels against 708,000 bushels a year ago; for the fiscal year to date 13,317,000 bushels against 17,977,000 bushels in 1905.

WIFE DYING AS VILLAIN PLOTS.

Actor Summoned From Stage to Hospital Where Spouse Expires.

Racine, Wis., Oct. 27.—While Jerold Havener, the villain in the melodrama which is being played at a theater in this city, was plotting the death of the hero during the performance last night, word was brought to him of a real tragedy in his own family. His wife was dying in the hospital here. Havener left the stage in the midst of his lines and hurried to the hospital, arriving just in time to see his wife before she died.

This is the fifth time death has broken into Havener's family in the last year. A year ago the actor's father died. Then his mother followed. A few weeks ago his brother expired suddenly, and only a short time ago his 5-year-old son was killed by a street car in Philadelphia. Havener's home. Of the family there survive only Havener and one little child.

NOTABLE FEAT IN WIRELESS

Naval Station in Touch With Steamer From New York to Honduras.

Washington, Oct. 27.—A remarkable achievement in wireless telegraphy is reported to the navy department from the Pensacola station. That plant has been able to keep in constant communication with the steamer Preston from the time that vessel left New York until it arrived at Honduras. The station also received messages from the Preston while that ship was entering New York harbor, where she was undoubtedly bathed in electric waves from other stations and ships.